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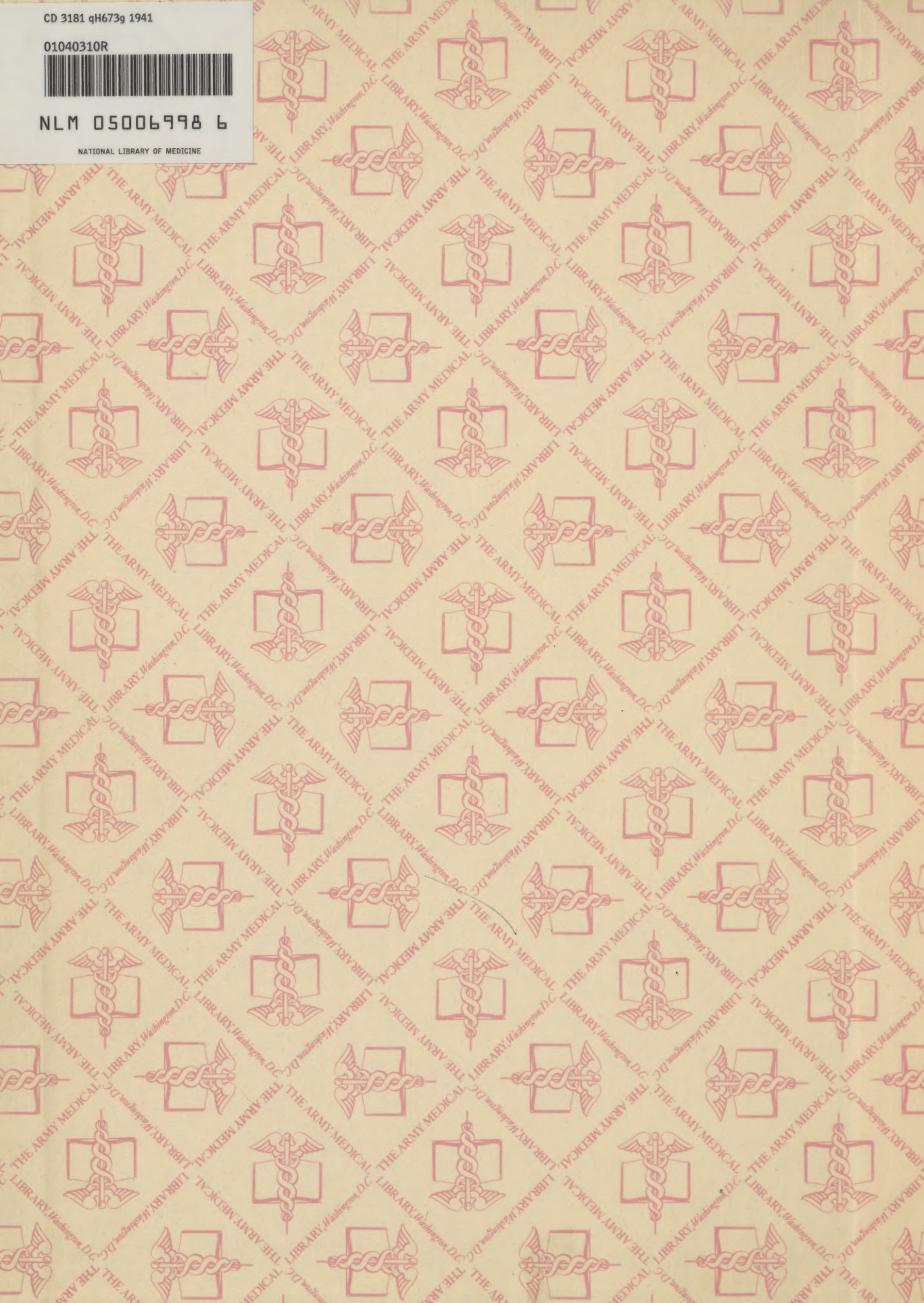
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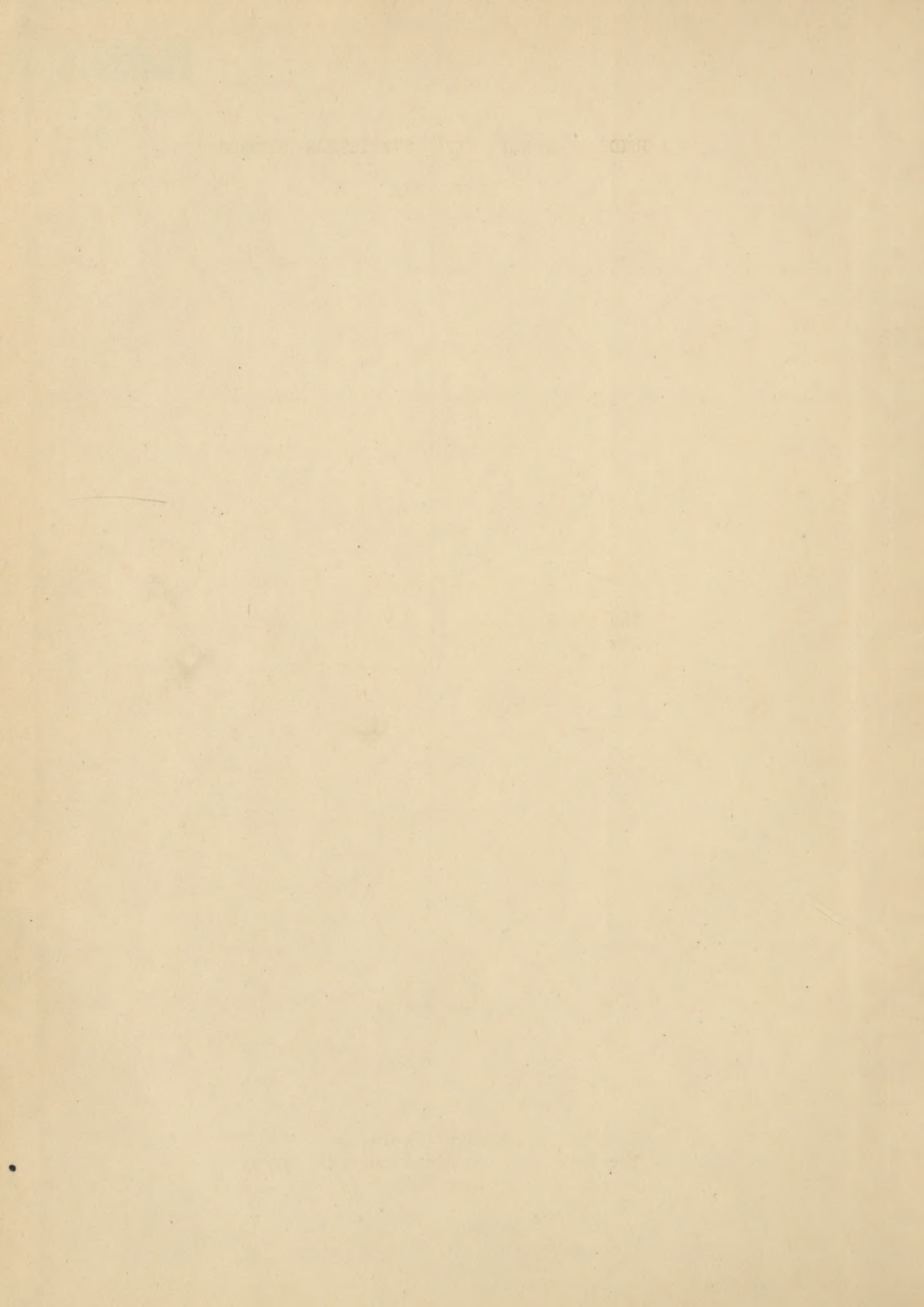


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FOREWORD

Vital statistics records have a three fold importance. They are a large part of the material from which the genealogist compiles his family trees; they contain the data on which the vital statistician bases his charts and tables; and they constitute legal proof of nativity and social relationships whose substantiation, or lack of substantiation, vitally affects the social and economic interests of individuals.

Not many centuries ago it was considered the duty of the ecclesiastical authorities to record all baptisms, weddings, and funerals performed by them. Such records served the same purpose, for the community, as do our modern vital statistics, at a time when all, or almost all, were members of a single ecclesiastical body.

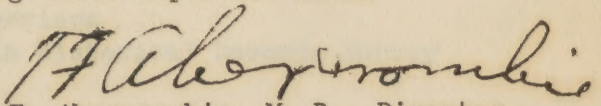
Under the changed circumstances of the modern world, this is no longer true. It is now generally recognized that the recording of vital statistics is a public function devolving upon the government.

In Georgia the Court of Ordinary, or, in earlier times, the Inferior Court, sitting for ordinary purposes, assumed these once ecclesiastical functions, just as it took over the probate duties traditionally within the jurisdiction of the church courts. It is interesting to note that divorces, which were formerly granted only by legislative action, and against which there had always existed religious scruples, have never fallen within the jurisdiction of the Court of Ordinary. Although, as a rule the Ordinary has recorded births, marriages, and deaths in Georgia, the Clerk of the Superior Court has recorded divorces.

For a time, very little importance was attached, by the general public, to the collection or recording of vital statistics. Although various laws were passed permitting, or requiring, the keeping of such records, substantial accuracy and completeness were not obtained until the establishment of a bureau of vital statistics within the State Department of Public Health.

No inventory of the existing situation with regard to such records throughout the State had been attempted until the organization of the Georgia Historical Records Survey. We greatly appreciate the foresight of the Federal Government in preparing such a compilation of data, and trust that this volume will prove to be useful to those who are interested in locating and obtaining individual records of births, deaths, marriages, and divorces occurring in our State.

The Georgia Department of Public Health is glad to have had the opportunity of playing a part in compiling these important data.


T. F. Abercrombie, M. D., Director
Georgia Department of Public Health

PREFACE

The Historical Records Survey was organized by Dr. Luther H. Evans, who served as Director of the Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress. He was succeeded on March 1, 1940 by Sargent B. Child, who had served in the capacity of Field Supervisor since the inauguration of the Survey. The Survey operates under the Research and Records Programs, Division of Community Service Programs, Work Projects Administration, of which Mrs. Florence Kerr, Assistant Commissioner, is in charge.

The Guide to Public Vital Statistics Records in Georgia is based on data secured in the fall of 1940, when the Survey made an inventory of public vital statistics records in the several States at the request of the National Defense Commission and the United States Bureau of the Census. The primary arrangement of the Guide is by type of vital statistics record, the secondary arrangement by governmental unit. The records entries show inclusive dates, nature of the record, number of volumes or other containers, method of arrangement, indexing, title and address of the custodian, and the cost of certified copies, or a statement that certified copies are not available.

Acknowledgment is due Dr. David M. Wolfe, Director, Division of Information and Statistics, State Department of Public Health, and the numerous custodians of vital statistics records throughout the State, for their cooperation in the inventory of their records. The Survey is especially indebted to the State Department of Public Health for supplying the materials used in publishing this volume.

The field inventory of vital statistics records was made in Georgia under the direction of District Supervisors of Historical Records Survey. The Guide was prepared for publication in the State Office of the Survey. It was reviewed by the editorial staff of Historical Survey, Central Office in Washington, D.C.

The publications of the Historical Records Survey are issued for free distribution to certain State and local public officials, public libraries in Georgia, and to a limited number of libraries and governmental agencies outside the State. This Guide to Public Vital Statistics will also be distributed to all State Vital Statistics Bureaus in the United States. Requests for information concerning these publications should be addressed to R. V. Connerat, State Supervisor, Research and Records Programs, Ten Forsyth Street Building, Atlanta, Georgia.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

State File No. _____

Registrar's No. _____

1. Place of Birth		2. Usual Residence of Mother	
(a) County	Militia Dist. No. _____	(a) State	(b) County
City or Town	(If Outside City or Town Limits, Write Rural)	City or Town	(If Outside City or Town Limits, Write Rural)
Name of Hosp. or St. Address		House No. & St. or R.F.D. & Box	
(d) Length of Mother's Stay Before Delivery: In Hosp.		Date of Birth	
In This Community		Hour of Birth	

3. Full Name of Child		Date of Birth		19
5. Sex	Twin or Triplet	Born 1st 2nd or 3rd	Full Term Pregnancy 7. If Not Give Months Gestation	Is Mother Married 8. To Father of This Child?
MOTHER OF CHILD				
9. Full Name	Maiden Name 16. Name			
10. Color	Age at Time 11. of This Birth			
12. Birth Place of Father	Birth Place 19. of Mother			
13. Usual Occupation	Usual Occupation 20. Occupation			
14. Industry or Business	Industry or Business 21. Business			
Was This Child 23. Born Alive?		Total No. of Children 24. Born to This Mother		
L. R's. Own 25. Signature		Born Alive (a) Now Living Born Alive (b) Now Dead (c) Dead		

26. Date Filed		Date of Supplemental Report	
SUPPLEMENTARY DATA NOT A PART OF LEGAL CERTIFICATE			
Give Complications of Preg. or Labor			
Was This an Operative Delivery?			
Was There a Birth Injury? Describe			
Attendant's Own Signature		Attendant's	
Date Signed		M. D.	

Please read carefully to avoid omissions. Please give correct address of residence so registration certificate will reach the parents of this child. If a midwife attended this birth CROSS OUT M. D. AND WRITE M. W.

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The Georgia Legislature was where-as ing as early as 1823 about the "embarassing difficulties" experienced by the courts in attempting to administer justice because there was no provision for the keeping of an official record of births. In that year the legislature made it the duty of the clerks of the courts of ordinary of each county to register all persons who reported themselves, or were reported by their parents or guardians, as well as all infants who might thereafter be born and reported by their parents. A fee of 25¢ was charged for each person registered.¹ This act was permissive only, and very few of these old registers are in existence today.²

There seems to have been little or no legislation in regard to recording births from 1823 until the State Board of Health was created in 1875.³ The act provided that the secretary of the Board should be "Superintendent of Registration of Vital Statistics," and the bureau thus created was charged with the duty, among other things, of collecting and preserving a record of all births in the State. The Board of Health was required to provide forms upon which births were to be reported. All physicians in the State, and parents where no physician attended, were required, under penalty of \$10 for failure to do so, to report births to the ordinary of their respective counties on the forms provided, and the ordinaries in turn reported the births to the secretary of the State Board. The ordinaries were also required by this act to record all births in a separate book kept by them for that purpose.⁴

The provisions of the act of 1875 imposing a penalty of \$10 upon physicians and parents for failure to report births was promptly repealed by the legislature the following year.⁵ This might explain in part why the birth records of the State Bureau of Vital Statistics are so sketchy prior to 1919.

The General Assembly again created a State Board of Health by an act of 1903.⁶ This act was primarily concerned with revamping the structural organization of the Board, and did not affect the provisions relating to collecting and preserving vital statistics.

In 1914 legislation was enacted setting forth in detail the manner in which vital statistics were to be gathered and the forms to be used in reporting births and deaths. This act provided for the appointment of a State Registrar of Vital Statistics and the central bureau of vital

1 Ga. Acts 1823, pp. 45, 46.

2 For examples of these early birth registers, see Inventory of the County Archives of Georgia, No. 25, Chatham County, entry 425; ibid., No. 121, Richmond County, entry 162.

3 Ga. Acts 1875, pp. 32-36.

4 Ibid.

5 Ga. Acts 1876, pp. 23, 24.

6 Ga. Acts 1903, pp. 72-75.

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statistics was placed under the immediate direction of this official. The bureau and the registrar remained under the general supervision of the Secretary of the State Board of Health. The State was divided into registration districts, as follows: Each city or incorporated town and each militia district was made a primary registration district and the city or town clerks and justices of the peace were named local registrars. The local registrars were required to number birth certificates consecutively, beginning at number 1 for the first birth in their districts each calendar year, and to make a copy of each certificate in a book furnished them by the State Registrar for that purpose. These volumes of copies of certificates were supposed to have been permanently preserved in the district registrar's office as a local record. All births occurring in a local registration district during each calendar month were required to be reported to the State Registrar on the 10th of the following month. The State Registrar was required by this act to "arrange, bind and permanently preserve the certificates in a systematic manner," and to "prepare and maintain a comprehensive and continuous card index of all births . . . , said index to be arranged alphabetically, . . . in case of births, by the names of fathers and mothers." "Copies of birth certificates cost 50¢. The State Registrar was also authorized to receive, record, and index records of births, or duly authenticated copies thereof, from cemetery associations, churches, and historical societies."⁷

Following are the provisions of the act of 1914 as to the contents of a birth certificate: "(1) Place of birth, including State, county, incorporated town, village or city. If in a city, the ward, street and house number; if in a hospital or other institution, the name of the same to be given instead of the street and house number. (2) Full name of child. If the child dies without a name, before the certificate is filed, enter the words "Died unnamed." If the living child has not yet been named, at the date of filing certificate of birth, the space for full name of child is to be left blank, to be filled out subsequently by a supplemental report, as hereinafter provided. (3) Sex of child. (4) Whether a twin, triplet, or other plural birth. A separate certificate shall be required for each child in case of plural births. (5) For plural births, number of each child in order of birth. (6) Whether legitimate or illegitimate. (7) Date of birth including year, month and date. (8) Full name of father; provided, that if the child is illegitimate, the name of the putative father shall not be entered without his consent, but the other particulars relating to the putative father (Items 9 to 13) may be entered if known, otherwise as "unknown." (9) Residence of father. (10) Color or race of father. (11) Age of father at last birthday, in years. (12) Birth place of father, at least State, or foreign country, if known. (13) Occupation of father. The occupation to be reported if engaged in any remunerative employment, with the statement of (a) trade, profession, or particular kind of work; (b) general nature

⁷ Ga. Acts 1914, pp. 157-174.

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of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employer). (14) Maiden name of mother. (15) Residence of mother. (16) Color or race of mother. (17) Age of mother at last birthday, in years. (18) (19) Occupation of mother. The occupation to be reported if engaged in any remunerative employment, with the statement of (a) trade, profession, or particular kind of work, (b) general nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employer). (20) number of children born to this mother, including present birth. (21) The certification of the attending physician or midwife as to the attendance at birth, including statement of year, month, day (as given in Item 7) and hour of birth, and whether the child was born alive or stillborn. This certification shall be signed by the attending physician or midwife, with the date of signature and address; if there is no physician or midwife in attendance, then by the father or mother of the child, householder, owner of the premises or manager or superintendent of public or private institution where the birth occurred, or other competent person, whose duty it shall be to notify the local registrar of such birth, as required by Section 13, of this Act. (23) Exact date of filing in office of local registrar, attested by his official signature, and registered number of birth, as hereinafter provided."^s With a few additions, this is substantially the contents of a birth certificate today.

Five years later an amendment to the act of 1914 authorized the State Board of Health to combine two or more registration districts, establish additional districts by dividing a primary district, and appoint registrars for such districts. This amendment also made it the duty of the local registrars to appoint deputies to serve in their stead when they were not available for the purpose of registration, and provided for health officers of cities and incorporated towns to serve as local registrars.⁸

In 1927 the legislature re-enacted the act of 1914 almost verbatim. The 1927 act, however, made it clear that the State Board of Health could summarily remove city clerks, town clerks, and justices of the peace for failure to properly discharge their duties as local registrars, and appoint others in their stead. It provided that birth certificates carry this additional item of information: Number of children of mother living. This act relieved local registrars of the chore of preserving copies of birth certificates, but made it their duty to file copies of all certificates issued by them with the county or city health officer in those counties where the office exists, and with the ordinary in counties having no health officer.¹⁰ The original birth certificates, of course, are forwarded to the bureau of vital statistics of the State

^s Ga. Acts 1914; pp. 166, 167.

⁹ Ga. Acts 1919; pp. 273-275.

¹⁰ Ga. Acts 1927, pp. 353-370.

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Department of Public Health in Atlanta. This is the procedure followed at the present time,

The executive branches of the State Government were reorganized by the General Assembly in 1931. The reorganizing act abolished the State Board of Health and the office of the State Registrar of Vital Statistics, and transferred all their powers, duties, and functions to a State Department of Public Health. The office of Director of the Department of Public Health was also created by this act.¹¹ The 1931 act was repealed 2 years later and the State Board of Health was recreated. The office of Director of the Department of Public Health, as well as the Department itself, were re-established. The act of 1933 also reaffirmed the abolition of the office of State Registrar of Vital Statistics, and transferred the powers, duties, and functions of the office to the State Board of Health.¹² Code section 88-1212, providing for the issuance of certified copies of birth certificates on file with the bureau of vital statistics of the State Board of Health, was amended in 1935 so as to require that certified copies of certificates be issued in the name of the Director of the Department of Public Health instead of the State Board of Health.¹³

¹¹ Ga. Acts 1931, pp. 11, 12.

¹² Ga. Acts 1933, pp. 7-12.

¹³ Ga. Acts 1935, p. 107.

STATE RECORDS

- 1919-- Birth certificates, 2,715 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. State Registrar of Vital Statistics, Atlanta. Certified copy, 50¢.
- 1865-1918 Birth certificates, 64 vols. Alph. by father's name. No index. Records very incomplete due to the fact that persons born prior to 1919 are registered only upon application, and not many have taken advantage of the opportunity. State Registrar of Vital Statistics, Atlanta. Certified copy, 50¢.

APPLING COUNTY (Baxley)

- 1928-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1827-1927 records scattered)¹

ATKINSON COUNTY (Pearson)

- 1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1886-1926 records scattered)¹

BACON COUNTY (Alma)

- 1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

BAKER COUNTY (Newton)

- 1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

BALDWIN COUNTY (Milledgeville)

- 1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1874-1924 records scattered)²

BANKS COUNTY (Homer)

- 1927-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1895-1927 records scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

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BARROW COUNTY (Winder)

1927-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

BARTOW COUNTY (Cartersville)

(Not surveyed)

BEN HILL COUNTY (Fitzgerald)

1919-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1893-1919 records scattered)¹

BERRIEN COUNTY (Nashville)

1919-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1886-1919 records scattered)¹

BIBB COUNTY (Macon)

1914-- Record, 17 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

Macon, City of

1891-- Record, 50 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

BLECKLEY COUNTY (Cochran)

1927-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1895-1927 records scattered)²

BRANTLEY COUNTY (Nahunta)

1929-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

BROOKS COUNTY (Quitman)

1903-- Record, 3 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1864-1903 records scattered)²

BRYAN COUNTY (Penbrook)

1919-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

BULLOCK COUNTY (Statesboro)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, slph. by name of infant. (1891-1927 records scattered)¹

BURKE COUNTY (Waynesboro)

1921-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1890-1921 records scattered)¹

BUTTS COUNTY (Jackson)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

CALHOUN COUNTY (Morgan)

1927-- Record, 3 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1873-1927 records scattered)¹

CAMDEN COUNTY (Woodbine)

1929-- Record, 7 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1827-1929 records scattered)¹

CANDLER COUNTY (Metter)

1919-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

CARROLL COUNTY (Carrollton)

1927-- Record, 34 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1881-1927 records scattered)¹

CATOOSA COUNTY (Ringgold)

1929-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

CHARLTON COUNTY (Falkston)

1926-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

CHATHAM COUNTY (Savannah)

1919-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1843-1919 records scattered)²

Savannah, City of

1922-- Record, 30 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

CHATTAHOOCHEE COUNTY (Cussetta)

1919-- Record, 15 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

CHATTOOGA COUNTY (Summerville)

1921-- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

CHEROKEE COUNTY (Canton)

1919-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

¹ Record kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

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CLARK COUNTY (Athens)

1919-- Record, 80 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

CLAY COUNTY (Ft. Gaines)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1919-1927 records scattered)¹

CLAYTON COUNTY (Jonesboro)

1927-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

CLINCH COUNTY (Homerville)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

COBB COUNTY (Marietta)

1920-- Record, 20 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1890-1920 records scattered)¹

COFFEE COUNTY (Douglas)

1919-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1885-1919 records scattered)²

COLQUITT COUNTY (Moultrie)

1927-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

COLUMBIA COUNTY (Appling)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

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COOK COUNTY (Adel)

1919-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1898-1919 records scattered)¹

COWETA COUNTY (Newnan)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1919-1927 records scattered)¹

CRAWFORD COUNTY (Knoxville)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

CRISP COUNTY (Cordele)

1919-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

DADE COUNTY (Trenton)

1929-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

DAWSON COUNTY (Dawsonville)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

DECATUR COUNTY (Bainbridge)

1919-- Record, 70 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1858-1919 records scattered)²

DE KALB COUNTY (Decatur)

1924-- Record, 40 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

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DODGE COUNTY (Eastman)

1927-- Record, 3 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1865-1927 records scattered)¹

DOOLY COUNTY (Vienna)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1878-1927 records scattered)¹

DOUGHERTY COUNTY (Albany)

1918-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1883-1918 records scattered)¹

DOUGLAS COUNTY (Douglasville)

(Not surveyed)

EARLEY COUNTY (Blakely)

1919-- Record, 3 f.d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1914-1919 record scattered)¹

ECHOLS COUNTY (Statenville)

1919-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

EFFINGHAM COUNTY (Springfield)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

ELBERT COUNTY (Elberton)

1927-- Record, 13 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1868-1927 records scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

EMANUEL COUNTY (Swainsboro)

1927-- Record, 13 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

EVANS COUNTY (Claxton)

1934-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1897-1934 records scattered)¹

FANNING COUNTY (Blue Ridge)

1927-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1876-1927 records scattered)¹

FAYETTE COUNTY (Fayetteville)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

FLOYD COUNTY (Rome)

1920-- Record, 16 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

FORSYTH COUNTY (Cumming)

1927-- Record, 22 bdles. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1889-1927 records scattered)¹

FRANKLIN COUNTY (Carnesville)

1927-- Record, 4 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

FULTON COUNTY (Atlanta)

1915-- Record, 83 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. County Registrar, 923 County Courthouse, 50¢.

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

Atlanta, City of

1919-- Record, 428 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1896-1919 records scattered)²

GILMER COUNTY (Ellijay)

1920-- Record, 91 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

GLASCOCK COUNTY (Gibson)

1919-- Record, 27 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1905-1919 records scattered)¹

GLYNN COUNTY (Brunswick)

1913-- Record, 27 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1909-1913 records scattered)²

GORDON COUNTY (Calhoun)

(Not surveyed)

GRADY COUNTY (Cairo)

1919-- Record, 22 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1894-1919 records scattered)²

GREENE COUNTY (Greensboro)

1925-- Record, 3 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

GWINNETT COUNTY (Lawrenceville)

(Not surveyed)

HABERSHAM COUNTY (Clarkesville)

1927-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1863-1927 records scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

HALL COUNTY (Gainsville)

1936-- Record, 15 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1876-1936 records scattered)¹

HANCOCK COUNTY (Sparta)

1927-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

HARALSON COUNTY (Buchanan)

1919-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1886-1919 records scattered)¹

HARRIS COUNTY (Hamilton)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1875-1927 records scattered)¹

HART COUNTY (Hartwell)

1927-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

HEARD COUNTY (Franklin)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

HENRY COUNTY (McDonough)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

HOUSTON COUNTY (Perry)

1927-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

IRWIN COUNTY (Ocilla)

1919-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1893-1919 records scattered)¹

JACKSON COUNTY (Jefferson)

1921-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1884-1921 records scattered)¹

JASPER COUNTY (Monticello)

1927-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

JEFF DAVIS COUNTY (Hazelhurst)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1903-1927 records scattered)¹

JEFFERSON COUNTY (Louisville)

1920-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1874-1920 records scattered)²

JENKINS COUNTY (Millen)

1919-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

JOHNSON COUNTY (Wrightsville)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

JONES COUNTY (Gray)

1920-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

LAMAR COUNTY (Barnsville)

1919-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1871-1919 records scattered)¹

LANIER COUNTY (Lakeland)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

LAURENS COUNTY (Dublin)

1920-- Record, 22 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

LEE COUNTY (Leesburg)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1898-1927 records scattered)¹

LIBERTY COUNTY (Hinesville)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

LINCOLN COUNTY (Lincolnton)

1919-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

LONG COUNTY (Ludowici)

1919-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

LOWNDES COUNTY (Valdosta)

1916-- Record, 5 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

LUMPKIN COUNTY (Dahlonega)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1897-1927 records scattered)¹

MACON COUNTY (Oglethorpe)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1882-1927 records scattered)¹

MADISON COUNTY (Danielsville)

(Not surveyed)

MARION COUNTY (Buena Vista)

1919-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

MCDUFFIE COUNTY (Thomson)

1927-- Record, 6 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

MCINTOSH COUNTY (Darien)

1927-- Record, 3 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1900-1927 records scattered)²

MERIWETHER COUNTY (Greenville)

1918-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1864-1927 records scattered)¹

MILLER COUNTY (Colquitt)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1894-1927 records scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

MITCHELL COUNTY (Camilla)

1927-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1919-1927 records scattered)¹

MONROE COUNTY (Forsyth)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (Mt. Vernon)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1919-1927 records scattered)¹

MORGAN COUNTY (Madison)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

MURRAY COUNTY (Chatsworth)

(Not surveyed)

MUSCOGEE COUNTY (Columbus)

1920-- Record, 27 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1871-1920 records scattered)²

NEWTON COUNTY (Covington)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

OCONEE COUNTY (Watkinsville)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

OGLETHORPE COUNTY (Lexington)

1927-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1888-1927 records scattered)¹

PAULDING COUNTY (Dallas)

(Not surveyed)

PEACH COUNTY (Ft. Valley)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

PICKENS COUNTY (Jasper)

1927-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1875-1927 records scattered)¹

PIERCE COUNTY (Blackshear)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

PIKE COUNTY (Zebulon)

1919-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1872-1919 records scattered)¹

POLK COUNTY (Cedartown)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

PULASKI COUNTY (Hawkinsville)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

PUTNAM COUNTY (Eatonton)

1927-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

QUITMAN COUNTY (Georgetown)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

RABUN COUNTY (Clayton)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

RANDOLPH COUNTY (Cuthbert)

1927-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1871-1927 records scattered)¹

RICHMOND COUNTY (Augusta)

1922-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

Augusta, City of

1919-- Record, 43 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

ROCKDALE COUNTY (Conyers)

1928-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1916-1928 records scattered)¹

SCHLEY COUNTY (Ellaville)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

SCREVEN COUNTY (Sylvania)

1927-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1887-1927 records scattered)¹

SEMINOLE COUNTY (Donalsonville)

1921-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1900-1921 records scattered)¹

SPALDING COUNTY (Griffin)

1919-- Record, 20 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

STEPHENS COUNTY (Toccoa)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1885-1927 records scattered)¹

STEWART COUNTY (Lumpkin)

1919-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

SUMTER COUNTY (Americus)

1899-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1873-1899 records scattered)²

TALBOT COUNTY (Talbalton)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

TALIAFERRO COUNTY (Crawfordville)

1919-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1870-1919 records scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

TATTNALL COUNTY (Reidsville)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1899-1927 records scattered)¹

TAYLOR COUNTY (Butler)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

TELFAIR COUNTY (McRae)

1927-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1887-1927 records scattered)²

TERRELL COUNTY (Dawson)

1919-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1895-1919 records scattered)²

THOMAS COUNTY (Thomasville)

1919-- Record, 26 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

TIFT COUNTY (Tifton)

1919-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1882-1919 records scattered)²

TOOMBS COUNTY (Lyons)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

TOWNS COUNTY (Hiwassee)

(Not surveyed)

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

TREUTLEN COUNTY (Soperton)

1919-- Record, 2 bdles. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1888-1919 records scattered)¹

TROUP COUNTY (La Grange)

1919-- Record, 15 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1914-1919 records scattered)²

TURNER COUNTY (Ashburn)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1895-1927 records scattered)¹

TWIGGS COUNTY (Jeffersonville)

1927-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

UNION COUNTY (Blairsville)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1908-1927 records scattered)¹

UPSON COUNTY (Thomaston)

1919-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

WALKER COUNTY (Lafayette)

1920-- Record, 18 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

WALTON COUNTY (Monroe)

1927-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1873-1927 records scattered)²

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50%.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50%.

Birth Records

WARE COUNTY (Waycross)

1920-- Record, 4 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.²

WARREN COUNTY (Warrenton)

1919-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

WASHINGTON COUNTY (Sandersville)

1920-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1887-1920 records scattered)²

WAYNE COUNTY (Jesup)

1927-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1894-1927 records scattered)¹

WEBSTER COUNTY (Preston)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

WHEELER COUNTY (Alamo)

1927-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

WHITE COUNTY (Cleveland)

1919-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

WHITFIELD COUNTY (Dalton)

1927-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1884-1927 records scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Birth Records

WILCOX COUNTY (Abbeville)

1927-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

WILKES COUNTY (Washington)

1920-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1886-1920 records scattered)¹

WILKINSON COUNTY (Irwinton)

1927-- Record, 8 f. d. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant.¹

WORTH COUNTY (Sylvester)

1922-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of birth, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of infant. (1852-1922 records scattered)²

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

State File No. _____

L. R. File No. _____

1. Place of Death

(a) County _____ Militia Dist. No. _____

(b) City or Town _____ (If Outside City or Town Limits, Write Rural)

(c) Name of Hosp. or Institution _____

(d) Length of Stay Before Death : Hosp. or Institution _____ In This Community _____

(e) Length of Stay Before Death : Hosp. or Institution _____ In This Community _____

2. Usual Residence of Deceased

(a) State _____ (b) County _____

(c) City or Town _____ (If Outside City or Town Limits, Write Rural)

(d) R.F.D. and Box No. _____

(e) Citizen of Foreign Country? _____ (Yes) If Yes, Name _____ (or No) Country _____

If Veteran Name War _____ Social Security Number _____

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. Name _____

4. Sex _____ 5. Race _____ 6. Status (circle) _____ S. M. W. D.

7. Give Name of Spouse _____

8. Age _____ Years _____ Months _____ Days _____ If less than 24 hrs. _____ Hrs. _____ Min.

9. Date of Birth _____ Mo. _____ Day _____ Year _____ Birth Place _____

10. Occupation _____

11. Industry _____

12. Name _____

13. Birthplace _____

14. Name _____

15. Birth Place _____

16. Name _____

17. Informants P. O. Address _____

18. Own Signature _____

19. Burial, Cremation _____ (a) Date _____

20. Signature of Person Burying Body _____

21. P. O. Address of Undertaker _____

22. Own Signature _____

MEDICAL CERTIFICATION

23. Date of Death _____ 19 _____ Time _____ A. M. P. M.

24. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased who died on the above date. I last saw _____ Alive on _____ 19 _____ Duration _____

Primary Cause of Death _____

(Please Underline the Cause to Which This Death Should Be Charged)

Contributory Causes _____

(Including Any Pregnancy Within Three Months of Death)

Operation _____ Date of Operation _____ Diagnosis : Clinical, Lab. X-Ray (Check) _____ Was Autopsy Performed : _____

25. If death was due to external violence please answer the following questions :

(a) Accident, Suicide _____ Date of Occurrence _____

(b) Homicide (Specify) _____

(c) Place of Accident _____ (City) _____ (County) _____ (State) _____

(d) Where : Home, Farm, _____ While at _____

(e) Industry, Public Place _____

(f) Means of Injury _____

Physician's _____

26. Own Signature _____ Date Signed _____

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Please answer carefully all questions to avoid receiving queries for omitted information. Please give age, occupation and Social Security No. to assist in settling S. S. claims.

DEATH RECORDS

The legal provisions affecting the registration of deaths in Georgia, and the agencies for effecting such registrations, are, and have been, substantially the same as those for the registration of births.

There appears to have been no legislation in regard to recording deaths until the State Board of Health was created in 1875.¹ The act provided that the secretary of the Board should be "Superintendent of Registration of Vital Statistics," and the bureau thus created was charged with the duty, among other things, of collecting and preserving a record of all deaths in the State. All physicians in the State, and parents where no physician attended, were required, under this law to file reports of deaths to the ordinary of their respective counties on the forms prescribed and supplied by the Board. The ordinaries, in turn, were required to report deaths to the secretary of the State Board, and to record all deaths in a separate book kept by them for that purpose.²

The General Assembly again created a State Board of Health by an act of 1903.³ This act did not alter the provisions relating to collecting and preserving vital statistics, but was concerned principally with adjusting the structural organization of the Board.

As in the case of births, legislation was enacted in 1914 to establish in detail the manner in which vital statistics were to be gathered and forms to be used. It provided for the appointment of a State Registrar of Vital Statistics whose duties were to gather and record births and deaths, and to provide for the enforcement of the provisions of the act. He was further required to bind and permanently preserve these certificates. Copies of death certificates cost 50¢.⁴

In 1927 the legislature re-enacted the act of 1914 almost verbatim. It made clear, however, the authority of the State Board of Health to remove city clerks, town clerks, and justices of the peace for failure to properly discharge their duties as local registrars, and appoint others in their stead.

Information required to be shown on death certificates as set forth in the acts of 1914 and 1927 follows: (1) Place of death, including State, county, incorporated town, village, or city. (2) Full name of decedent. (3) Sex. (4) Color or race. (5) Conjugal relation. (6) Date of birth. (7) Age. (8) Occupation. (9) Birthplace. (10) Name of father. (11) Birth-

1 Ga. Acts 1875, pp. 32-36.

2 Ibid.

3 Ga. Acts 1903, pp. 72-75.

4 Ga. Acts 1914, pp. 157-174.

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place of father. (12) Maiden name of mother. (13) Birthplace of mother. (14) Signature and address of informant. (15) Official signature of registrar, with date when certificate was filed and registered number. (16) Date of death. (17) Certification as to medical attention on decedent, fact and time of death, and cause of death. (18) Length of residence for inmates of hospitals or other institutions. (19) Place of burial, and date. (20) Signature of undertaker or person acting as such.⁵

Since 1919 a death certificate on the standard form approved by the United States Bureau of Census, has been used in Georgia and local registrars, after making a copy of the certificate in a book kept for that purpose, must, on the tenth day of each month, transmit to the State Registrar all death certificates registered with him during the preceding month.

Records of deaths kept by the local registrars vary as to fullness of information given. The minimum data shown are date, name, color, birthplace, residence, cause of death, and name of medical attendant.

Certified copies of death certificates may be obtained from the Registrar of Vital Statistics, Georgia Department of Public Health, Atlanta. They may also be secured in any town or county where there is a health officer, or from the ordinary of a county where there is no health officer.

⁵ Ga. Acts 1927, pp. 353-370.

STATE RECORDS

- 1919-- Death certificates, 1,443 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of deceased. State Registrar of Vital Statistics, Atlanta. Certified copy, 50¢.
- 1865-1918 Death certificates, 9 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by name of deceased. (large percent of certificates missing) State Registrar of Vital Statistics, Atlanta. Certified copy, 50¢.

APPLING COUNTY (Baxley)

- 1924-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

ATKINSON COUNTY (Pearson)

- 1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

BACON COUNTY (Alma)

- 1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

BAKER COUNTY (Newton)

- 1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter or surname of deceased.¹

BALDWIN COUNTY (Milledgeville)

- 1927-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1823-1927, record scattered)¹

BANKS COUNTY (Homer)

- 1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1896-1927, record scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

BARROW COUNTY (Winder)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

BARTOW COUNTY (Cartersville)

Not surveyed.

BEN HILL COUNTY (Fitzgerald)

1919-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1914-1919, record scattered)¹

BERRIEN COUNTY (Nashville)

1919-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

BIBB COUNTY (Macon)

1924-- Record, 16 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.²

Macon, City of

1919-- Record, 52 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.²

BLECKLEY COUNTY (Cochran)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1918-1927, record scattered)¹

BRANTLEY COUNTY (Nahunta)

1929-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

BROOKS COUNTY (Quitman)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1904-1927, record scattered)²

BRYAN COUNTY (Pembroke)

1919-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

BULLOCH COUNTY (Statesboro)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

BURKE COUNTY (Waynesboro)

1927-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

BUTTS COUNTY (Jackson)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

CALHOUN COUNTY (Morgan)

1927-- Record, 3 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1900-1927, records scattered)¹

CAMDEN COUNTY (Woodbine)

1926-- Record, 1 vol., 5 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificate numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

CANDLER COUNTY (Metter)

1919-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50%.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50%.

Death Records

CARROLL COUNTY (Carrollton)

1927-- Record, 15 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1881-1927, records scattered)¹

CATOOSA COUNTY (Ringgold)

1919-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

CHARLTON COUNTY (Folkston)

1926-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

CHATHAM COUNTY (Savannah)

1919-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.²

Savannah, City of

1923-- Record, 34 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1803-1922, records scattered)²

CHATTAHOOCHEE COUNTY (Cusseta)

1919-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

CHATTOOGA COUNTY (Summerville)

No inventory made.

CHEROKEE COUNTY (Canton)

1919-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

CLARKE COUNTY (Athens)

1919-- Record, 50 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.²

CLAY COUNTY (Ft. Gaines)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1919-1927, records scattered)¹

CLAYTON COUNTY (Jonesboro)

1920-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

CLINCH COUNTY (Homerville)

1919-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

COBB COUNTY (Marietta)

1919-- Record, 19 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1891-1919, records scattered)¹

COFFEE COUNTY (Douglas)

1919-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

COLQUITT COUNTY (Moultrie)

1921-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

COLUMBIA COUNTY (Appling)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. 1927-1932, also contains births.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

COOK COUNTY (Adel)

1919-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

COWETA COUNTY (Newnan)

1927-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1881-1927, records scattered)¹

CRAWFORD COUNTY (Knoxville)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

CRISP COUNTY (Cordele)

1919-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

DADE COUNTY (Trenton)

1929-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

DAWSON COUNTY (Dawsonville)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

DECATUR COUNTY (Bainbridge)

1919-- Record, 53 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1858-1919, records scattered)²

DEKALB COUNTY (Decatur)

1924-- Record, 26 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.²

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

DODGE COUNTY (Eastman)

1927-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

DOOLEY COUNTY (Vienna)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

DOUGHERTY COUNTY (Albany)

1919-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

DOUGLAS COUNTY (Douglasville)

Not surveyed.

EARLY COUNTY (Elakely)

1919-- Record, 2 f.d., 9 f.b. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

ECHOLS COUNTY (Statesville)

1929-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

EFFINGHAM COUNTY (Springfield)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

ELBERT COUNTY (Elberton)

1927-- Record, 3 f.b. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1868-1927, records scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

EMANUEL COUNTY (Swainsboro)

1927-- Record, 3 f.b. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1898-1927, records scattered)¹

EVANS COUNTY (Claxton)

1933-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

FANNIN COUNTY (Blue Ridge)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1876-1927, records scattered)¹

FAYETTE COUNTY (Fayetteville)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

FLOYD COUNTY (Rome)

1920-- Record, 16 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

FORSYTH COUNTY (Cumming)

1926-- Record, 13 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

FRANKLIN COUNTY (Carnesville)

1926-- Record, 1 f.b. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

FULTON COUNTY (Atlanta)

1915-- Record, 78 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

Atlanta, City of

1887-- Record, 487 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1887-1919, records scattered)²

GILMER COUNTY (Ellijay)

1920-- Record, 25 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

GLASCOCK COUNTY (Gibson)

1919-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

GLYNN COUNTY (Brunswick)

1914-- Record, 26 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.²

GORDON COUNTY (Calhoun)

Not surveyed.

GRADY COUNTY (Cairo)

1919-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.²

GREENE COUNTY (Greensboro)

1927-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased.¹

GWINNETT COUNTY (Lawrenceville)

Not surveyed.

HABERSHAM COUNTY (Clarksville)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1863-1927, records scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

HALL COUNTY (Gainesville)

1936-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1876-1936, records scattered)¹

HANCOCK COUNTY (Sparta)

1927-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

HARALSON COUNTY (Buchanan)

1919-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1886-1919, records scattered)¹

HARRIS COUNTY (Hamilton)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1875-1927, records scattered)¹

HART COUNTY (Hartwell)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

HEARD COUNTY (Franklin)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

HENRY COUNTY (McDonough)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

HOUSTON COUNTY (Perry)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. Also contains birth certificates.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

IRWIN COUNTY (Ocilla)

1919-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1893-1919, records scattered)¹

JACKSON COUNTY (Jefferson)

1921-- Record, 1 f.b. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1884-1921, records scattered) Also contains birth certificates.¹

JASPER COUNTY (Monticello)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

JEFF DAVIS COUNTY (Hazlehurst)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

JEFFERSON COUNTY (Louisville)

1919-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. Certified copies free.²

JENKINS COUNTY (Millen)

1919-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

JOHNSON COUNTY (Wrightsville)

1927-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

JONES COUNTY (Gray)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

LAMAR COUNTY (Barnesville)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

LANIER COUNTY (Lakeland)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

LAURENS COUNTY (Dublin)

1920-- Record, 20 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.²

LEE COUNTY (Leesburg)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1898-1927, record scattered)¹

LIBERTY COUNTY (Hinesville)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

LINCOLN COUNTY (Lincolnton)

1927-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1919-1923, records scattered)¹

LONG COUNTY (Ludowici)

1919-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

LOWNDES COUNTY (Valdosta)

1917-- Record, 3 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.²

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

LUMPKIN COUNTY (DAHLONEGA)

1927-- Record, 1 f.b. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. Also contains birth certificates.¹

MACON COUNTY (Oglethorpe)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1882-1926, records scattered)¹

MADISON COUNTY (Danielsville)

Not surveyed.

MARION COUNTY (Buena Vista)

1919-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

MCDUFFIE COUNTY (Thomson)

1927-- Record, 6 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

MCINTOSH COUNTY (Darien)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1900-1927, record scattered)¹

MERIWETHER COUNTY (Greenville)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1864-1927, record scattered)¹

MILLER COUNTY (Colquitt)

1928-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1894-1927, record scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

MITCHELL COUNTY (Camilla)

1927-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by **surname** of deceased. (1919-1927, record scattered)²

MONROE COUNTY (Forsyth)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (Mt. Vernon)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

MORGAN COUNTY (Madison)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

MURRAY COUNTY (Chatsworth)

Not surveyed.

MUSCOGEE COUNTY (Columbus)

1922-- Record, 19 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.²

NEWTON COUNTY (Covington)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

OCONEE COUNTY (Watkinsville)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

OGLETHORPE COUNTY (Lexington)

1927-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1888-1927, records scattered)¹

PAULDING COUNTY (Dallas)

Not surveyed.

PEACH COUNTY (Ft. Valley)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

PICKENS COUNTY (Jasper)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1875-1927, records scattered)¹

PIERCE COUNTY (Blackshear)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

PIKE COUNTY (Zebulon)

1919-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

POLK COUNTY (Cedartown)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

PULASKI COUNTY (Hawkinsville)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50%.

Death Records

PUTNAM COUNTY (Eatonton)

- 1927-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. Also contains birth certificates.¹

QUITMAN COUNTY (Georgetown)

- 1936-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

RABUN COUNTY (Clayton)

- 1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

RANDOLPH COUNTY (Cuthbert)

- 1927-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1871-1927, records scattered)¹

RICHMOND COUNTY (Augusta)

- 1918-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1904-1919, records scattered)¹

Augusta, City of

- 1904-- Record, 76 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1904-1918, records scattered)²

ROCKDALE COUNTY (Conyers)

- 1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. Also contains birth certificates.¹

SCHLEY COUNTY (Ellaville)

- 1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1912-1927 records scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

SCREVEN COUNTY (Sylvania)

- 1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1887-1927, records scattered)¹

SEMINOLE COUNTY (Donalsonville)

- 1925-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1902-1925, records scattered)¹

SPALDING COUNTY (Griffin)

- 1919-- Record, 20 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1875-1919, records scattered)²

STEPHENS COUNTY (Toccoa)

- 1927-- Record, 12 bdles. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1885-1927, records scattered)¹

STEWART COUNTY (Lumpkin)

- 1919-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1919-1926 records scattered)¹

SUMTER COUNTY (Americus)

- 1924-- Record, 18 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by first letter of surname of deceased. (1878-1923, records scattered)²

TABLOT COUNTY (Talbotton)

- 1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

TALIAFERRO COUNTY (Crawfordville)

- 1927-- Record, 1 f.b. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1908-1927, records scattered) Certified copies of certificates free.

1 Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

2 Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

TATTNALL COUNTY (Reidsville)

1928-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1899-1928, records scattered)¹

TAYLOR COUNTY (Butler)

1927-- Record, 2 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

TELFAIR COUNTY (McRae)

1927-- Record, 3 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.²

TERRELL COUNTY (Dawson)

1919-- Record, 1 vol., 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1895-1919, records scattered)²

THOMAS COUNTY (Thomasville)

1930-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. No index.²

TIFT COUNTY (Tifton)

1919-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.²

TOOMBS COUNTY (Lyons)

1928-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

TOWNS COUNTY (Hiawassee)

Not surveyed.

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

TREUTLEN COUNTY (Soperton)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. Certified copies of certificates free.

TROUP COUNTY (La Grange)

1919-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1914-1918, records scattered)²

TURNER COUNTY (Ashburn)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1895-1927, records scattered)¹

TWIGGS COUNTY (Jeffersonville)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

UNION COUNTY (Blairsville)

1927-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1908-1927, records scattered)¹

UPSON COUNTY (Thomaston)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

WALKER COUNTY (La Fayette)

1920-- Record, 10 f.b. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

WALTON COUNTY (Monroe)

1927-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

WARE COUNTY (Waycross)

1925-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.²

WARREN COUNTY (Warrenton)

1927-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1918-1927, records scattered)¹

WASHINGTON COUNTY (Sandersville)

1918-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. Records kept by Department of Health. Free.

WAYNE COUNTY (Jesup)

1927-- Record, 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1894-1927, records scattered)¹

WEBSTER COUNTY (Preston)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

WHEELER COUNTY (Alamo)

1927-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

WHITE COUNTY (Cleveland)

1919-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

WHITFIELD COUNTY (Dalton)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1884-1927) records scattered)¹

¹ Records kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Records kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

Death Records

WILCOX COUNTY (Abbeville)

1927-- Record, 1 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

WILKES COUNTY (Washington)

1924-- Record, 5 fols., 2 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased.¹

WILKINSON COUNTY (Irwinton)

1927-- Record, 8 f.d. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. Also contains birth certificates.¹

WORTH COUNTY (Sylvester)

1919-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of death, with certificates numbered consecutively. Separate index, alph. by surname of deceased. (1852-1919, records scattered)²

¹ Record kept by Ordinary. Certified copy, 50¢.

² Record kept by Department of Health. Certified copy, 50¢.

MARRIAGE RECORDS

In Georgia persons desiring to enter into a contract of marriage have always been required to secure a license therefor. These licenses were issued by the clerks of the Inferior Courts of the several counties from 1799 to 1852.¹ The Inferior Court functioning in this capacity, was discontinued in 1852, and the powers of the Court of Ordinary, vested in an Ordinary for each county, were given authority to grant marriage licenses.²

In 1875 legislation was enacted requiring that the ordinaries of the several counties keep separate books to record all marriages which take place in their counties, and to render a report of all marriages to the secretary of the State Board of Health, at such time as the said Board may direct.³ The provisions of this law were re-enacted in 1919 and provided for the registration of all marriages with the State Bureau of Vital Statistics.⁴ Although the Georgia law still provides for the maintenance of marriage records by the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the State Department of Health, this procedure has never been initiated. It is thought that no appropriation has ever been made to put it in operation.

Applications for marriage licenses as provided by law in the act of 1924 and amended in 1927 show: Names of contracting parties, residence, City, County and State, age, relationship, if any, white or colored, previously married, divorced upon what grounds, when and where, any legal impediment, date and place of contemplated marriage, parents' residence, and parents' nationality.⁵

Marriage licenses are granted by the ordinaries, or their deputies, of the several counties where the female to be married resides. After ceremony has been performed, the said licenses must be returned to the ordinary by the officiant within thirty days after date of marriage and the ordinary in turn records the license in a book kept by him for that purpose, and the original certificate made available to applicant.

The general law provides that, "the State Board of Health shall at all times keep the ordinary of each county in the State supplied with a sufficient number of said forms of application for marriage license to care for all applications for marriage license".⁶ As in the case of providing a central depository for marriage licenses, apparently no appropriation has been made available to put this into effect, and it is the practice for each county to supply its own certificates. These certificates in all counties, however, furnish the same general information.

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- 1 Ga. Acts 1799; pp. 71-73.
 - 2 Ga. Acts 1852; p. 50.
 - 3 Ga. Acts 1875; p. 36.
 - 4 Ga. Acts 1919; p. 273.
 - 5 Ga. Acts 1924, p. 54; 1927, p. 225.
 - 6 Ga. Code 1933, #53-307.

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APPLING COUNTY (Baxley)

1879-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

ATKINSON COUNTY (Pearson)

1919-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BACON COUNTY (Alma)

1915-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BAKER COUNTY (Newton)

1874-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BALDWIN COUNTY (Milledgeville)

1819-- Record, 17 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male and female. Ordinary \$1.50.

BANKS COUNTY (Homer)

1859-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BARROW COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

BARTOW COUNTY (Cartersville)

1837-- Record, 14 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BEN HILL COUNTY (Fitzgerald)

1907-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male and female. Ordinary \$1.50.

BERRIEN COUNTY (Nashville)

1856-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BIBB COUNTY (Macon)

1823-- Record, 37 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male and female. Ordinary \$1.50.

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BLECKLEY COUNTY (Cochran)

1913-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BRANTLEY COUNTY (Nahunta)

1921-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BROOKS COUNTY (Quitman)

1859-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BRYAN COUNTY (Pembroke)

1897-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BULLOCH COUNTY (Statesboro)

1809-- Record, 16 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BURKE COUNTY (Waynesboro)

1855-- Record, 15 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

BUTTS COUNTY (Jackson)

1826-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CALHOUN COUNTY (Morgan)

1880-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CAMDEN COUNTY (Woodbine)

1819-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CANDLER COUNTY (Metter)

1915-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CARROLL COUNTY (Carrollton)

1827-- Record, 16 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

Marriage Records

CATOOSA COUNTY (Ringgold)

1858-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CHARLTON COUNTY (Folkston)

1864-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CHATHAM COUNTY (Savannah)

1806-- Record, 64 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CHATTAHOOCHEE COUNTY (Cussetta)

1854-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CHATTOOGA COUNTY (Summerville)

1839-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CHEROKEE COUNTY (Canton)

1841-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CLARKE COUNTY (Athens)

1838-- Record, 20 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CLAY COUNTY (Ft. Gaines)

1854-- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CLAYTON COUNTY (Jonesboro)

1859-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CLINCH COUNTY (Homerville)

1867-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

COBB COUNTY (Marietta)

1865-- Record, 17 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

Marriage Records

COFFEE COUNTY (Douglas)

1873-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

COLQUITT COUNTY (Moultrie)

1883-- Record, 17 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

COLUMBIA COUNTY (Appling)

1807-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

COOK COUNTY (Adel)

1919-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

COWETA COUNTY (Newnan)

1827-- Record, 17 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CRAWFORD COUNTY (Knoxville)

1823-- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

CRISP COUNTY (Cordele)

1905-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

DADE COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

DAWSON COUNTY (Dawsonville)

1858-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

DECATUR COUNTY (Bainbridge)

1824-- Record, 15 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

DEKALB COUNTY (Decatur)

1848-- Record, 22 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

Marriage Records

DODGE COUNTY (Eastman)

1871-- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

DOOLY COUNTY (Vienna)

1848-- Record, 15 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

DOUGHERTY COUNTY (Albany)

1854-- Record, 14 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

DOUGLAS COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

EARLY COUNTY (Bleckley)

1854-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

ECHOLS COUNTY (Statenville)

1898-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

EFFINGHAM COUNTY (Springfield)

1890-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

ELBERT COUNTY (Elberton)

1790-- Record, 22 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$.50.

EMANUEL COUNTY (Swainsboro)

1817-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$.50.

EVANS COUNTY (Claxton)

1915-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$.50.

FANNIN COUNTY (Blue Ridge)

1854-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$.50.

Marriage Records

FAYETTE COUNTY (Fayetteville)

1823-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$.50.

FLOYD COUNTY (Rome)

1834-- Record, 18 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

FORSYTH COUNTY (Cumming)

1832-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

FRANKLIN COUNTY (Carnesville)

1848-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

FULTON COUNTY (Atlanta)

1854-- Record, 57 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male and female. Ordinary \$1.00.

CAMPBELL COUNTY (Atlanta)

1829- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by
1931 first letter of surname of male and female.¹

MILTON COUNTY (Atlanta)

1857- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by
1931 first letter of surname of male and female.¹

GILMER COUNTY (Ellijay)

1834-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

GLASCOCK COUNTY (Gibson)

1858-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

GLYNN COUNTY (Brunswick)

1818-- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

¹ Campbell and Milton Counties were merged with Fulton in 1931 (Ga. Acts 1929, pp. 551-558; 1931, pp. 527-532).

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GORDON COUNTY (Calhoun)

1864-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

GRADY COUNTY (Cairo)

1906-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

GREENE COUNTY (Greensboro)

1786-- Record, 20 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

GWINNETT COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

HABERSHAM COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

HALL COUNTY (Gainesville)

1819-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

HANCOCK COUNTY (Sparta)

1808-- Record, 19 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

HARALSON COUNTY (Buchanan)

1864-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

HARRIS COUNTY (Hamilton)

1828-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

HART COUNTY (Hartwell)

1854-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

HEARD COUNTY (Franklin)

1894-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

Marriage Records

HENRY COUNTY (McDonough)

1837-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

HOUSTON COUNTY (Perry)

1832-- Record, 16 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

IRWIN COUNTY (Ocilla)

1820-- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

JACKSON COUNTY (Jefferson)

1806-- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

JASPER COUNTY (Monticello)

1808-- Record, 17 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

JEFF DAVIS COUNTY (Hazelhurst)

1906-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

JEFFERSON COUNTY (Louisville)

1806-- Record, 13 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

JENKINS COUNTY (Millen)

1906-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

JOHNSON COUNTY (Wrightsville)

1860-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

JONES COUNTY (Gray)

1811-- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

LAMAR COUNTY (Barnesville)

1921-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

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LANIER COUNTY (Lakeland)

1921-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

LAURENS COUNTY (Dublin)

1808-- Record, 19 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

LEE COUNTY (Leesburg)

1870-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

LIBERTY COUNTY (Hinesville)

1819-- Record, 5 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

LINCOLN COUNTY (Lincolnton)

1806-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

LONG COUNTY (Ludowici)

1921-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

LOWNDES COUNTY (Valdosta)

1870-- Record, 17 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

LUMPKIN COUNTY (Dahlonega)

1833-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

MACON COUNTY (Oglethorpe)

1856-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.00.

MADISON COUNTY (Danielsville)

1812-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

MARION COUNTY (Buena Vista)

1844-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

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MCDUFFIE COUNTY (Thomson)

1871-- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

MCINTOSH COUNTY

Records not available.

MERIWETHER COUNTY (Greenville)

1828-- Record, 13 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

MILLER COUNTY (Colquitt)

1893-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

MITCHELL COUNTY (Camilla)

1868-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

MONROE COUNTY (Forsyth)

1824-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (Mt. Vernon)

1811-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

MORGAN COUNTY (Madison)

1808-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

MURRAY COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

MUSCOGEE COUNTY (Columbus)

1838-- Record, 30 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

NEWTON COUNTY (Covington)

1822-- Record, 18 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

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OCONEE COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

OGLETHORPE COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

PAULDING COUNTY (Dallas)

1866-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

PEACH COUNTY (Ft. Valley)

1925-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

PICKENS COUNTY (Jasper)

1854-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

PIERCE COUNTY (Blackshear)

1875-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

PIKE COUNTY (Zebulon)

1823-- Record, 10 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male and female. Ordinary \$1.50.

POLK COUNTY (Cedartown)

1852-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

PULASKI COUNTY (Hawkinsville)

1810-- Record, 16 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

PUTNAM COUNTY (Eatonton)

1808-- Record, 16 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

QUITMAN COUNTY (Georgetown)

1919-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

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RABUN COUNTY (Clayton)

1820-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

RANDOLPH COUNTY (Cuthbert)

1837-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

RICHMOND COUNTY (Augusta)

1806-- Record, 48 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

ROCKDALE COUNTY (Conyers)

1871-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

SCHLEY COUNTY (Ellaville)

1858-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

SCREVEN COUNTY (Sylvania)

1822-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

SEMINOLE COUNTY (Donalsonville)

1921-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.25.

SPALDING COUNTY (Griffin)

1852-- Record, 17 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

STEPHENS COUNTY (Toccoa)

1906-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

STEWART COUNTY (Lumpkin)

1829-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

SUMTER COUNTY (Americus)

1832-- Record, 24 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

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TROUP COUNTY (LaGrange)

1828-- Record, 25 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

TURNER COUNTY (Ashburn)

1906-- Record, 4 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

TWIGGS COUNTY (Jeffersonville)

1901-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

UNION COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

UPSON COUNTY (Thomaston)

1825-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WALKER COUNTY (Lafayette)

1882-- Record, 13 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WALTON COUNTY (Monroe)

1827-- Record, 16 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WARE COUNTY (Waycross)

1874-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WARREN COUNTY (Warrenton)

1792-- Record, 13 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WASHINGTON COUNTY (Sandersville)

1828-- Record, 17 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WAYNE COUNTY (Jesup)

1809-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

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TALBOT COUNTY (Talbotton)

1828-- Record, 14 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

TALIAFERRO COUNTY (Crawfordville)

1826-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

TATTNALL COUNTY (Reidsville)

1806-- Record, 13 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

TAYLOR COUNTY (Butler)

1852-- Record, 8 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

TELFAIR COUNTY (McRae)

1813-- Record, 12 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

TERRELL COUNTY (Dawson)

1857-- Record, 11 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

THOMAS COUNTY (Thomasville)

1826-- Record, 22 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

TIFT COUNTY (Tifton)

1905-- Record, 6 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

TOOMBS COUNTY (Lyons)

1812-- Record, 3 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

TOWNS COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

TREUTLEN COUNTY (Soperton)

1919-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

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WEBSTER COUNTY (Preston)

1914-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WHEELER COUNTY (Alamo)

1913-- Record, 2 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WHITE COUNTY

(Not surveyed)

WHITFIELD COUNTY (Dalton)

1852-- Record, 13 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WILCOX COUNTY (Abbeville)

1858-- Record, 13 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WILKES COUNTY (Washington)

1792-- Record, 18 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$.50.

WILKINSON COUNTY (Irwinton)

1822-- Record, 7 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

WORTH COUNTY (Sylvester)

1854-- Record, 9 vols. Chron. by date of entry. Indexed alph. by first letter of surname of male. Ordinary \$1.50.

DIVORCE RECORDS

In Georgia divorces were granted exclusively by the Legislature until the adoption of the Constitution of 1798, which provided that a verdict be obtained in the superior court authorizing a divorce before the General Assembly could pass, by a two-thirds vote of each branch, a confirmatory act.¹

The mode of procedure, recognizing total divorces only, was set out by the Legislature in 1802.² An amendatory act of 1806 provided for two forms of divorce - total and conditional (separating the parties from bed and board). This act further provided that where the special jury brought in a verdict for absolute divorce, and the General Assembly refused to carry the verdict into effect, either party might apply to the superior court, whose duty it became to appoint three commissioners, who reported their decision or decree back to the court. This decision was entered as the court's judgment, subject to be altered or modified by the court at its next session, upon application of either party. In this event, the court referred the report to the same commissioners, with two additional commissioners, whose decision, after re-examination of the case, was entered as the judgment of the court.³

In 1833 a constitutional amendment was proposed which provided that "divorce shall be final and conclusive when the parties shall have obtained the concurrent verdicts of two special juries authorizing a divorce on legal principles."⁴

In 1847 the General Assembly was empowered to establish the "legal principles" upon which divorces should be allowed. Divorce has remained under the exclusive jurisdiction of the superior court since that time.⁵

Parties divorced from bed and board, on subsequent reconciliation, may live together again as husband and wife by first filing in the office of the ordinary of the county where the divorce was granted, their written agreement to that effect, attested by the ordinary.

No specific reference to recording divorces is made by the laws of Georgia, but there are general provisions of law requiring the recording of pleadings in all cases by the clerk of the superior court. Paragraphs 1 and 2 of these provisions read: "The clerk of the superior court is also required:

"1. To record in well-bound books, within six months after the final determination of any civil suit, all the proceedings relating thereto.

¹ Ga. Const. 1798, art. III, sec. IX.

² Ga. Acts 1802, pp. 69-71.

³ Ga. Acts 1806, pp. 16-20.

⁴ Ga. Acts 1833, pp. 47-48.

⁵ Ga. Acts 1847, pp. 63, 64.

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"2. Every clerk of the superior or city courts must record immediately in his book of final records every part of the pleadings in every case; all garnishments, affidavits, bonds, and answers thereto; all attachment affidavits, bonds, and writs of attachment; all claim affidavits and bonds, and all bonds given in any judicial proceeding; and no clerk shall allow any of such papers to be taken from his office before recording them as herein required; and such record shall be a part of the final record of the papers required by law to be made, or all such record, as the case may be."⁶

Divorce papers generally consist of the petition, process, first and second verdicts, and the decree, and they show: Name of plaintiff and defendant; names and ages of children, if any; date and place of marriage; residence of plaintiff and defendant; property involved in litigation, if any, and property settlement made, if any; and whether alimony or support is allowed.

The general law provides that the clerk receive 15¢ per 100 words for exemplification of records (decrees of divorce are usually under 100 words), plus 50¢ for certificate and seal.⁷ It is the practice, however, in most of the counties of the State for the superior court clerk to charge \$1.50 for certified copies of decrees.

There is no central depository for registering divorces in Georgia. Although the General Assembly in 1919 provided that divorces should be registered with the State Bureau of Vital Statistics, the provisions of this act have never been carried into effect.⁸ It is presumed that the reason for this is that no appropriation has ever been made to put it in operation.

With the exception of the 17 counties, enumerated in the entries below, all of Georgia's 159 counties file their divorce papers in with their civil case papers.

⁶ Ga. Code of 1933, #30-128.

⁷ Ga. Code of 1933, #24-2727.

⁸ Ga. Acts 1919, p. 273.

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BANKS COUNTY (Homer)

1900-- Record, 3 f. d. Chron by term of court. No index.¹

CARROLL COUNTY (Carrollton)

1880-- Record, 3 f. d. Chron. by date filed. No index,¹

CHATTOOGA COUNTY (Summerville)

1868-- Record, 3 f. d. Chron. by term of court. No index.¹

CHEROKEE COUNTY (Cherokee)

1880- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by term of court. No index.¹
1891

DECATUR COUNTY (Bainbridge)

1830-- Record, 6 f. d. Alph. by name of defendant. No index.¹

DE KALB COUNTY (Decatur)

1895-- Record, 10 f. d. Chron. by term of court. Alph. by plaintiff and defendant.¹

FRANKLIN COUNTY (Carnesville)

1936-- Record, 2 bdles. Chron. by term of court. No index.¹

FULTON COUNTY (Atlanta)

1854-- Record, 146 f. d. Chron. by term of court. Separate alph. by 1st letter of plaintiff.¹

HART COUNTY (Hartwell)

1916-- Record, 2 f. d. Chron. by term of court. No index.¹

HENRY COUNTY (McDonough)

1911- Record, 1 f. d. No arrangement. No index.¹
1938

JACKSON COUNTY (Jefferson)

1923-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by term of court. No index.¹

¹ Records kept by Clerk of Superior Court. Certified copy, \$1.50.

Divorce Records

LIBERTY COUNTY (Hinesville)

1915-- Record, 1 f. d. Chron. by date filed. No index.¹
1920

MERIWETHER COUNTY (Greenville)

1867-- Record, 4 f. d. Numer. by case no. No index.¹

MITCHELL COUNTY (Camilla)

1908-- Record, 1 vol. Chron. by term of court. Alph. by 1st letter
of defendant.¹

RABUN COUNTY (Clayton)

1869-- Record, 1 f. d. Numer. by case no. No index.¹

SEMINOLE COUNTY (Donalsonville)

1921-- Record, 4 f. d. Numer. by case no. Alph. by 1st letter of
plaintiff.¹

WALKER COUNTY (Lafayette)

1895-- Record, 11 f. d. Chron. by term of court. No index.¹

¹ Records kept by Clerk of Superior Court. Certified copy, \$1.50.

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

arr.	. . . . .	arranged, arrangement
bdle(s).	. . . . .	bundle(s)
chron.	. . . . .	chronological(ly)
f.b.	. . . . .	file boxes
f.d.	. . . . .	file drawers
Ga.	. . . . .	Georgia
<u>Ibid.</u>	. . . . .	<u>ibidem</u> (in the same place)
numer.	. . . . .	numerical(ly)
op. cit.	. . . . .	<u>opere citato</u> (in the work cited)
p., pp.	. . . . .	page(s)
sec(s).	. . . . .	section(s)
vol(s).	. . . . .	volume(s)

SYMBOLS

-- current

space marks are used in footnote citations preceding sections of
the Georgia Code, as a symbol for Section.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF COUNTIES OF GEORGIA
WITH THE DATES OF THEIR CREATION

No.	Created	County	No.	Created	County
1.	1818	Appling	49.	1818	Early
2.	1917	Atkinson	50.	1858	Echols
3.	1914	Bacon	51.	1777	Effingham
4.	1825	Baker	52.	1790	Elbert
5.	1803	Baldwin	53.	1812	Emanuel
6.	1858	Banks	54.	1914	Evans
7.	1914	Barrow	55.	1854	Fannin
8.	1832	Bartow	56.	1821	Fayette
9.	1906	Ben Hill	57.	1832	Floyd
10.	1856	Berrien	58.	1832	Forsyth
11.	1822	Bibb	59.	1784	Franklin
12.	1912	Bleckley	60.	1853	Fulton
13.	1920	Brantley	61.	1832	Gilmer
14.	1858	Brooks	62.	1857	Glascock
15.	1793	Bryan	63.	1777	Glynn
16.	1796	Bulloch	64.	1850	Gordon
17.	1777	Burke	65.	1905	Grady
18.	1825	Butts	66.	1786	Greene
19.	1854	Calhoun	67.	1818	Gwinnett
20.	1777	Camden	68.	1818	Habersham
21.	1914	Candler	69.	1818	Hall
22.	1826	Carroll	70.	1793	Hancock
23.	1853	Catoosa	71.	1856	Haralson
24.	1854	Charlton	72.	1827	Harris
25.	1777	Chatham	73.	1853	Hart
26.	1854	Chattahoochee	74.	1830	Heard
27.	1838	Chattooga	75.	1821	Henry
28.	1831	Cherokee	76.	1821	Houston
29.	1801	Clarke	77.	1818	Irwin
30.	1854	Clay	78.	1796	Jackson
31.	1858	Clayton	79.	1807	Jasper
32.	1850	Clinch	80.	1905	Jeff Davis
33.	1832	Cobb	81.	1796	Jefferson
34.	1854	Coffee	82.	1905	Jenkins
35.	1856	Colquitt	83.	1858	Johnson
36.	1790	Columbia	84.	1807	Jones
37.	1918	Cook	85.	1920	Lamar
38.	1826	Coweta	86.	1920	Lanier
39.	1822	Crawford	87.	1807	Laurens
40.	1905	Crisp	88.	1826	Lee
41.	1837	Dade	89.	1777	Liberty
42.	1857	Dawson	90.	1796	Lincoln
43.	1823	Decatur	91.	1920	Long
44.	1822	DeKalb	92.	1825	Lowndes
45.	1870	Dodge	93.	1832	Lumpkin
46.	1821	Dooly	94.	1870	McDuffie
47.	1853	Dougherty	95.	1793	McIntosh
48.	1870	Douglas	96.	1837	Macon

No.	Created	County	No.	Created	County
97.	1811	Madison	129.	1831	Sumter
98.	1827	Marion	130.	1827	Talbot
99.	1827	Meriwether	131.	1825	Taliaferro
100.	1856	Miller	132.	1801	Tattnall
101.	1857	Mitchell	133.	1852	Taylor
102.	1821	Monroe	134.	1807	Telfair
103.	1793	Montgomery	135.	1856	Terrell
104.	1807	Morgan	136.	1825	Thomas
105.	1832	Murray	137.	1905	Tift
106.	1826	Muscogee	138.	1905	Toombs
107.	1821	Newton	139.	1856	Towns
108.	1875	Oconee	140.	1917	Treutlen
109.	1793	Oglethorpe	141.	1826	Troup
110.	1832	Paulding	142.	1905	Turner
111.	1924	Peach	143.	1809	Twiggs
112.	1853	Pickens	144.	1832	Union
113.	1857	Pierce	145.	1824	Upton
114.	1822	Pike	146.	1833	Walker
115.	1851	Polk	147.	1818	Walton
116.	1808	Pulaski	148.	1824	Ware
117.	1807	Putnam	149.	1793	Warren
118.	1858	Quitman	150.	1784	Washington
119.	1819	Rabun	151.	1803	Wayne
120.	1828	Randolph	152.	1853	Webster
121.	1777	Richmond	153.	1912	Wheeler
122.	1870	Rockdale	154.	1857	White
123.	1857	Schley	155.	1851	Whitfield
124.	1793	Screven	156.	1857	Wilcox
125.	1920	Seminole	157.	1777	Wilkes
126.	1851	Spalding	158.	1803	Wilkerson
127.	1905	Stephens	159.	1853	Worth
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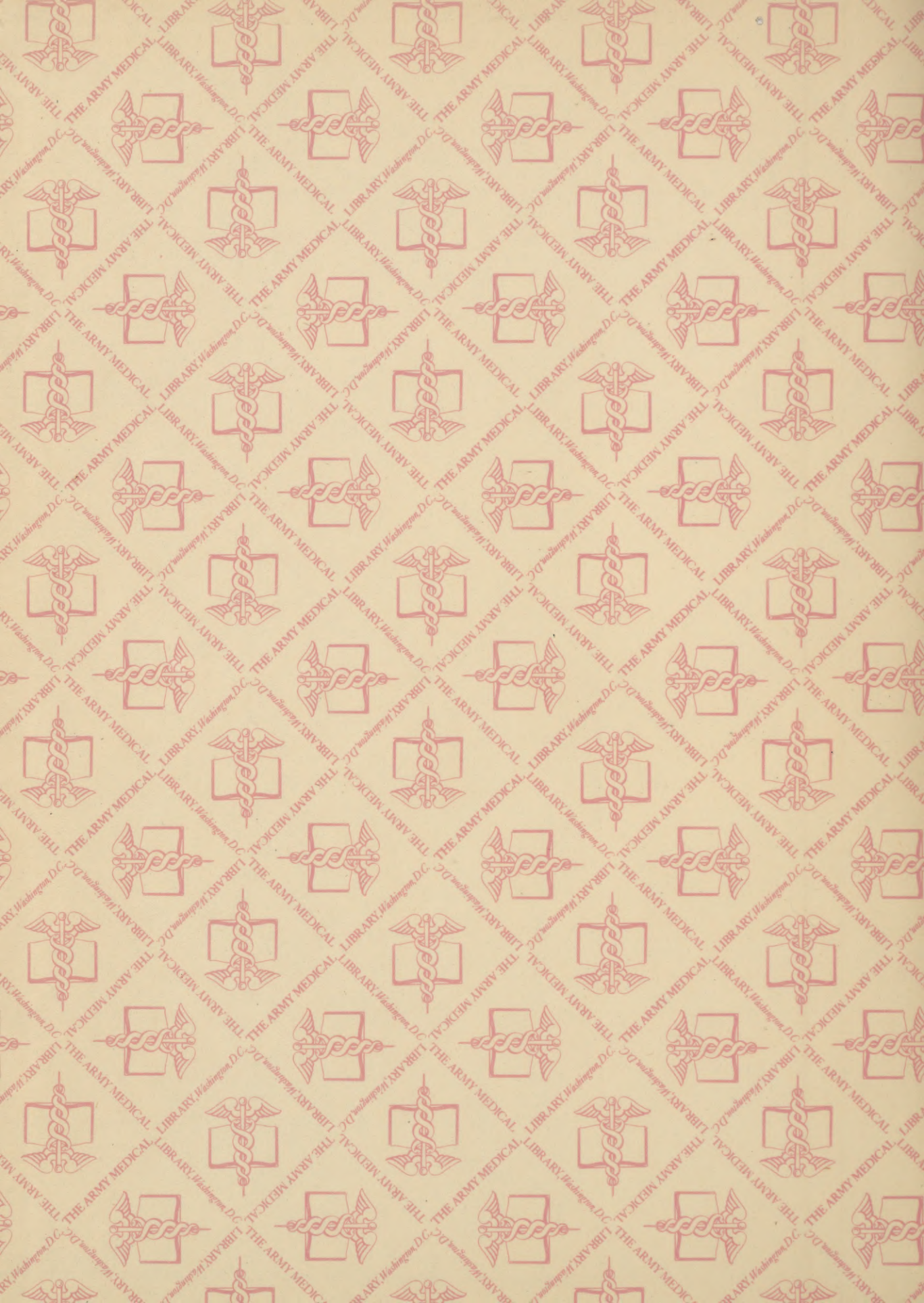
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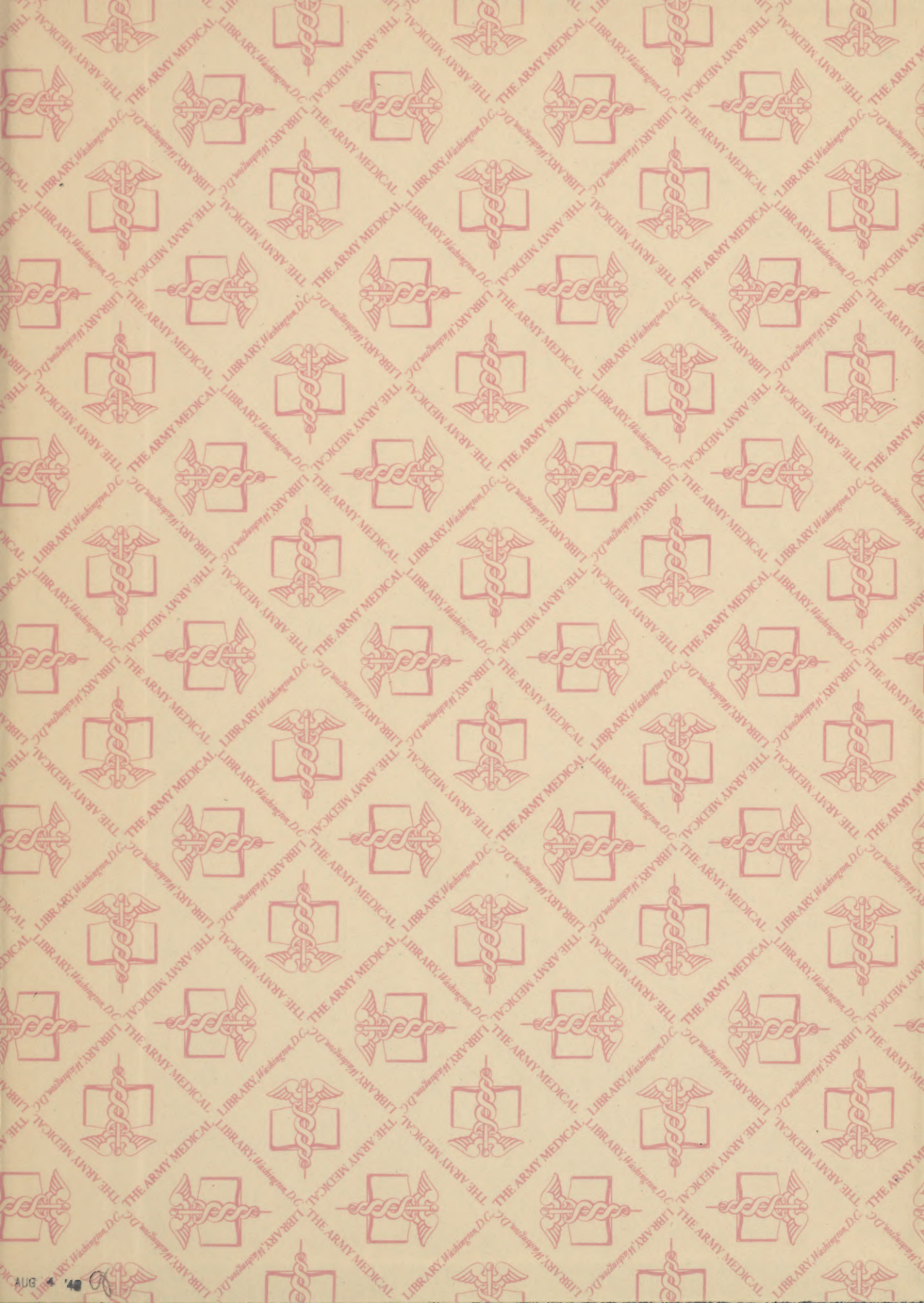
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